

Town of Groton, Connecticut Meeting Agenda

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Town Council

Mayor Heather Bond Somers, Councilors Dean G. Antipas, Bruce S. Flax, Bill Johnson, Frank O'Beirne, Jr., Deborah L. Peruzzotti, Rita M. Schmidt, James L. Streeter, and Harry A. Watson

Tuesday, January 03, 2012

7:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

SPECIAL MEETING

- I. ROLL CALL
- II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG
- III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS & MEMORIALS
- IV. RECEIPT OF CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

This is the portion of the Council Agenda where the Council welcomes comments from citizens. Each presentation should be limited to five (5) minutes or less, and citizens should, if possible, submit written comments. Presentations should be related to matters pertinent to Groton. Town Councilors will only ask questions in order to clarify the speaker's presentation and can respond during the Responses to Citizens' Petitions portion of the Town Council meeting. Citizens should make their presentations from the lectern and state their names and addresses for the record.

V. RESPONSES TO CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under Item VI (Consent Calendar) are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion of these items will take place, unless cause is shown prior to the time Council votes on the motion to adopt.

a. Approval of Minutes

2011-0254 Approval of Minutes (Town Council)

Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Town Council meeting of December 20, 2011 are hereby accepted and approved.

b. Administrative Items

2011-0250 Special Trust Fund Contributions

Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL TRUST FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby accepts contributions to the Town as follows:

Nancy Pittman - \$300.00 - Library Miscellaneous

Mary Bennett and Bill Squire - \$100.00 - Library Miscellaneous

The Pfizer Foundation Volunteer Program - \$1,000:00 - Library Miscellaneous

Hardcore Shotcrete, Inc. - \$10,000 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Christ United Methodist Church - \$258.65 - Social Services Discretionary

Betty Curry - \$50.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Dermatology Group - \$100.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Fitch Middle School - \$281.78 - Social Services Discretionary

James and Marjorie Hollister - \$25.00 - Social Services Discretionary

George Marshall - \$200.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Monsanto - \$72.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Grace Musante - \$25.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Charles Rogers - \$100.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Gladys Rogers - \$100.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Albert and Janiss Rudolph - \$100.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Submarine Base Fire Fighters - \$150.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Elaine Adams - \$200.00 - Social Services Discretionary

B.P.O. Elks Lodge No. 2163 - \$500.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Connecticut Elks Association - \$450.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Monica and Joseph Franzone - \$200.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Mystic River Homes - \$100.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Nancy Plauman - \$200.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Waterford Group - \$1,500.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Jason Wolfradt - \$130.00 - Social Services Discretionary

United States Olympic Committee - \$250.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

c. Deletions from the Town Council Referral List

2011-0253 Appointment of Town Attorney

Referral

2011-0255 Appointment of Other Attorneys as Recommended by the

Referral

Town Attorney

VII. COMMUNICATION REPORTS (Other than Committee Reports)

- a. Town Councilors
- b. Clerk of the Representative Town Meeting
- c. Clerk of the Council
- d. Town Manager
- e. Town Attorney

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Community & Cultural Development Chairman Schmidt
- b. Economic Development Chairman Johnson
- c. Education/Health & Social Services Chairman Watson
- d. Environment/Energy Chairman Peruzzotti
- e. Finance Chairman O'Beirne
- f. Personnel/Appointments/Rules Chairman Flax
- g. Public Safety Chairman Streeter
- h. Public Works/Recreation Chairman Antipas
- i. Committee of the Whole Mayor Somers

IX. NEW BUSINESS

2011-0253 Appointment of Town Attorney

Referral

RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE TOWN ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, the Town Council has considered the needs of the Town for legal advice, the nature of

the litigation currently underway, and the cost and quality of the legal services now being provided, there be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Town Charter 8.2.1, Eileen Duggan of the firm of Suisman, Shapiro, Wool, Brennan, Gray & Greenberg, P.C. is hereby appointed Town Attorney, to exercise all powers and duties of that office until her successor shall be appointed and qualified, and that the following attorneys from Suisman Shapiro may assist Attorney Duggan carrying out her duties:

Matthew Auger
Raymond Baribeault
James Berryman
Michael Blanchard
Eric Callahan
Michael Carey
Jack Collins
Jeanette Dostie
Bryan Fiengo
Robert Keville
Hinda Kimmel
Erin O'Leary

Legislative History

12/20/2011

Town Council Committee of the Whole

Recommended for a Resolution

2011-0255

Appointment of Other Attorneys as Recommended by the Town Attorney

Referral

RESOLUTION APPOINTING OTHER ATTORNEYS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TOWN ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, the Town Charter, at 8.2.2, provides that the Town Attorney may, with the approval of the Town Council, appoint attorneys to perform specialized services or otherwise to assist the Town Attorney, and

WHEREAS, it has been advantageous for the Town and for the Board of Education to have attorneys appointed for particular issues, and

WHEREAS, the Town Attorney is empowered by the Charter to recommend the terms of employment of such attorneys, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the recommendation of Town Attorney Duggan, the following attorneys may be appointed and continue to serve in the assignments indicated, under terms prescribed by the Town Attorney, until such time as their replacements may be approved by the Town Council:

Board of Education Attorneys (from Berchem, Moses & Devlin, P.C.)

Floyd J. Dugas Amy Dion Carolyn Dugas Alicia Fabish Michelle C. Laubin Michelle Long Jeff Mogan Marsha B. Moses Meagan Smith

Bond Counsel (from Day Pitney, LLP)

Edmund See
Judith Blank
Sam Caligiuri
Linda D'Onofrio
Doug Gillette
Adam Kasowitz
Namita Shah

Richard Wasserman

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X. ADJOURNMENT